ORDINANCE No. 118342

COUNCIL BILL No. 11478

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Engineering Department; amending Section 11.60.587 of the Municipal Code by adding language consistent with the Revised Code of Washington regarding penalties for violations of maximum gross vehicle weight.



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ORDINANCE //8342

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Engineering Department; amending Section 11.60.587 of the Municipal Code by adding language consistent with the Revised Code of Washington regarding penalties for violations of maximum gross vehicle weight.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 11.60.587 of the Seattle Municipal Code (Ordinance 112092 Section 23) is amended as follows:

Section 11.60.587 Additional Penalty.

In addition to, but not in lieu of the basic penalties imposed in Section 11.60.583, any person violating any of the provisions of Section 11.60.370 shall be assessed ((Three Cents (\$.03) for each pound of excess weight. Provided, That)) a penalty for each pound overweight, as follows:

- (a) One pound through four thousand pounds overweight is three cents (\$.03) for each pound;
- (b) Four thousand one pounds through ten thousand pounds overweight is one hundred twenty dollars (\$120) plus twelve cents (\$.12) per pound for each additional pound over four thousand pounds overweight;
- (c) Ten thousand one pounds through fifteen thousand pounds overweight is eight hundred forty dollars (\$840) plus sixteen cents (\$.16) per pound for each additional pound over ten thousand pounds overweight;
- (d) Fifteen thousand one pounds through twenty thousand pounds overweight is one thousand six hundred forty dollars (\$1.640) plus twenty cents (\$.20) per pound for each additional pound over fifteen thousand pounds overweight;
- (e) Twenty thousand one pounds and more is two thousand six hundred forty dollars (\$2,640) plus thirty cents (\$.30) per pound for each additional pound over twenty thousand pounds overweight.
- ((u))Upon a first violation in any calendar year, the court may suspend the penalty for five hundred (500) pounds of excess weight for each axle or any vehicle or

combination of vehicles, not to exceed a two thousand (2,000) pound suspension. In no case shall the basic penalty assessed under Section 11.60.583 be suspended nor shall the additional penalty assessed in Section 11.60.587, except as provided for the first violation, be suspended. (RCW 46.44.105(2))

Section 2. Any act consistent with the authority and prior to the effective date of this ordinance is hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten (10) days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Municipal Code 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the ______ day of _______, 1996, and signed by me in open authentication of its passage this ______ day of ________.

President of the City Council

Approved by me this 3/4 day of 0.000, 1996.

Norman B. Rice, Mayor

Filed by me this **31** day of **60.**, 1996.

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Seattle Engineering Department

John D. Okamoto, Director Norman B. Rice, Mayor

September 12, 1996

Honorable Norman B. Rice Mayor, City of Seattle Seattle, Washington 98104.

Attention: Tom Tierney, Director

Office of Management and Planning

Subject: Traffic Code Amendment

Dear Mayor Rice:

REQUEST: We request adoption of the enclosed ordinance, amending the Traffic Code to include language consistent with the Revised Code of Washington regarding penalties for violations of maximum gross vehicle weight.

BACKGROUND: In February of this year, the state legislature amended the Revised Code of Washington regarding vehicle size, load regulation and related penalties (copy enclosed). The proposed ordinance would make the Traffic Code consistent with the Revised Code of Washington amendment.

FUNDING: There are no budget impacts related to this ordinance.

IMPC. TANCE: This ordinance would allow consistency in state and local regulations. Please contact Don Smith at 684-5125 for further information.

Sincerely,

Aril Juanitas, Acting Director Seattle Engineering Department

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cc: Don Smith, SED Kwan Wong, OMP

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NOTICE

ORDINANCE _____112092

AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Traffic Code, Ordinance (108200): repealing sections 11.23.200, 11.23.240, 11.23.260, 1.23.280, 11.23.300, 11.60.040, 11.60.080, 11.60.100, 11.60.120, 11.60.260, 11.60.280, 11.60.300, 11.60.370, 11.60.360, 11.60.400, 11.60.440, and 11.60.586; amending sections 11.14.185, 11.23.040, 11.23.060, 11.23.320, 11.23.340, 11.60.060, 11.60.160, 11.60.240, 11.60.380, 11.60.420, 11.60.480, 11.60.520, 11.60.583, 11.60.589, and 11.60.660; adding new sections 11.23.210, 11.23.250, 11.23.290, 11.60.050, 11.60.130, 11.60.370 and 11.60.587, which regulate the width, height, length, weight and penalties for overweight vehicles to bring the Municipal traffic laws into compliance with the State laws.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Sections 11.23.200, 11.23.240, 11.23.260, 11.23.280, 11.23.300, 11.60.040, 11.60.080, 11.60.100, 11.60.120, 11.60.260, 11.60.280, 11.60.300, 11.60.320, 11.60.360, 11.60.400, 11.60.440, 11.60.586, and are hereby repealed.

Section 2. SMC Section 11.14.185 (Section 11.14.185, Ordinance 108200) is amended as follows:

11.14.185 Excess weight.

"Excess weight" means, for the purpose of determining additional fines as provided by Section 1..34.080, the poundage in excess of the sum of maximum gross weight prescribed by Sections ((11.60.260 through 11.60.470 tions 11.60.370 and 11.60.420 plus the weights allowed in stions 11.60.480, 11.60.520 and ((Sections 11.23.260 through 11.23.200))

Section 11.23.290 (RCW 46.44.045(6)).

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when inches are involved: Under six inches, disregard the additional inches, when six inches or over, calculate to the next highest figure (in feet). The maximum load on any axle in any gr. of axles shall not exceed 1.2 times the load given in the above table divided by the number of axles in that group, and shall not exceed the single axle or tandem axle allowance as set forth elsewhere. For considering the number of axles in a group, the front axle of a unit supplying motive power need not be included in the axle group.

 The maximum axle and gross weights specified in this section are subject to the braking requirements set up for the service brakes upon any motor vehicle or combination of vehicles as provided by law.

It shall be a violation to operate upon the streets and alleys, any single unit vehicle, support in three axles or more with a gross weight including load cross of forty thousand pounds or any combination of vehicles having a gross weight in excess of eighty thousand pounds without first obtaining an additional tonnage permit as provided for in Section 11.23.290.

It shall be a violation to operate any vehicle upon the streets and alleys equipped with two axles spaced less than seven feet apart, unless the two axles are so constructed and mounted in such a manner as to provide oscillation between the two axles and that either one of the two axles will not at any one time carry more than the maximum gross weight allowed for one axle specified in this section. (RCW 46.44.041)

Section 23. The Traffic Code (Ordinance 108200) is amended by adding thereto a new Section 11.60.587, as follows:

Section 11.60.587. Additional Penalty

In addition to, tut not in lieu of the basic penalties imposed in Section 11.60.583, any person violating any of the provisions of Section 11.60.370 shall be assessed three cents. (\$.03) for each pound of excess weight. Provided, That upon a first violation in any calendar year, the court may suspend the penalty for five hundred pounds of excess weight for each axle or any vehic or combination of vehicles, not to exceed a two thousand pound suspension. In no case shall the basic penalty assessed under Section 11.60.583 be suspended. (RCW 46.44.105(2)).

Section 24. The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be separate and severable. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section or portion of this ordinance, or the invalidity of the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance, or the validity of its application to other persons or circumstances.

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Section.²⁵. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

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and signed by me in open session in authentication of	its passage, this 3/	day of
December , 1984	President	of the City Council.
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CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 2687

Chapter 92, Laws of 1996

54th Legislature. 1996 Regular Session

VEHICLE SIZE AND LOAD REGULATION

EFFECTIVE DATE: 6/6/96

Passed by the House February 5, 1996 Yeas 97 Nays 0

Speaker c 50

House of Representatives

Passed by the Senate February 28, 1996 Yeas 48 Nays 1

JOEL PRITCHARD

President of the Senate

Approved March 15, 1996

CERTIFICATE

I, Timothy A. Martin, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is HOUSE BILL 2687 as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

TIMOTHY A. MARTIN

Chief Clerk

FILED

March 15, 1996 - 3:23 p.m.

MIKE LOWRY Governor of the State of Washington Secretary of State State of Washington

HOUSE BILL 2687

Passed Legislature - 1996 Regular Session

State of Washington

54th Legislature

1996 Regular Session

By Representatives Robertson, R. Fisher and K. Schmidt; by request of Department of Transportation

Read first time 01/16/96. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

- AN ACT Relating to vehicle size and load regulation; amending RCW
- 46.44.096 and 46.44.105; and prescribing penalties.
- BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- Sec. 1. RCW 46.44.096 and 1993 c 102 s 6 are each amended to read 4 5
- as follows: In determining fees according to RCW 46.44.0941, mileage on state б
- 7 primary and secondary highways shall be determined from the planning
- survey records of the department of transportation, and the gross 8
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- weight of the vehicle or vehicles, including load, shall be declared by the applicant. Overweight on which fees shall be paid will be gross
- loadings in excess of loadings authorized by law or axle load s in 11
- 12 excess of loadings authorized by law, whichever is the greater. Loads which are overweight and oversize shall be charged the fee for the
- 14 overweight permit without additional fees being assessed for the
- 15 oversize features.
- 16 Special permits issued under RCW 46.44.047, 45.44.0941,
- 17 46.44.095, may be obtained from offices of the department of
- 18 transportation, ports of entry, or other agents appointed by the
- 19 department.

The department ay appoint agents for the purposes of selling special motor vehicle permits, temporary additional tonnage permits, \ and log tolerance permits. Agents so appointed may retain three dollars and fifty cents for each permit sold to defray expenses incurred in handling and selling the permits. If the fee is collected by the department of transportation, the department shall certify the fee so collected to the state treasurer for deposit to the credit of the motor vehicle fund.

The department may select a third party contractor, by means of competitive bid, to perform the department's permit issuance function. as provided under RCW 46.44.090. Factors the department shall consider, but is not limited to, in the selection of a third party contractor are economic benefit to both the department and the motor carrier industry, and enhancement of the overall level of permit service. For purposes of this section, "third party contractor" means a business entity that is authorized by the department to issue special permits. The transportation commission may adopt rules specifying the criteria that a business entity must meet in order to qualify as a third party contractor under this section.

Fees established in RCW 46.44.0941 shall be paid to the political body issuing the permit if the entire movement is to be confined to roads, streets, or highways for which that political body is responsible. When a movement involves a combination of state highways, county roads, and/or city streets the fee shall be paid to the state department of transportation. When a movement is confined within the city limits of a city or town upon city streets, including routes of state highways on city streets, all fees shall be paid to the city or town involved. A permit will not be required from city or town authorities for a move involving a combination of city or town streets and state highways when the move through a city or town is being confined to the route of the state highway. When a move involves a combination of county roads and city streets the fee shall be paid to the county authorities, but the fee shall not be collected nor the county permit issued until valid permits are presented showing that the city or town authorities approve of the move in question. 36 movement involves only county roads the fees collected shall be paid to the county involved. Fees established shall be paid to the political body issuing the permit if the entire use of the vehicle during the

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- period covered by t permit shall be confined to the roads, streets, or highways for which that political body is responsible.
- 3 Sec. 2. RCW 46.44.105 and 1993 c 403 s 4 are each amended to read 4 as follows:
- 5 (1) Violation of any of the provisions of ((RCW 46.44.041, 46.44.042, 46.44.047, 45.44.090, 46.44.091, and 46.44.095, or failure 6 7 to obtain a permit as provided by RCW 45- 1.090 and 45.44.095, or
- misrepresentation of the size or weight 5 any load or failure to
- 9 follow-the requirements and conditions of a permit issued hereunder);
- this chapter is a traffic infraction, and upon the first finding 10
- thereof shall be assessed a basic penalty of not less than fifty 11
- dollars; and upon a second finding thereof shall be assessed a basic
- penalty of not less than seventy-five dollars; and upon a third or 13
- subsequent funding shall be assessed a basic penalty of not less than
- 15 one hundred dollars.

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- 16 (2) In addition to the penalties imposed in subsection (1) of this section, any rerson violating RCW 46.44.041, 46.44.042, 46.44.047, 17 46.44.090, 46.44.091, or 46.44.095 shall be assessed a penalty for each 18
- 19 pound overweight, as follows:
- (a) One pound through four thousand pounds overweight is three 20 21 cents for each pound ((of excess weight));
 - (b) Four thousand one pounds through ten thousand pounds overweight is one hundred twenty dollars plus twelve cents per pound for each additional pound over four thousand pounds overweight;
 - (c) Ten thousand one pounds through fifteen thousand bounds overweight is eight hundred forty dollars plus sixteen cents per pound for each additional pound over ten thousand tounds overweight:
 - (d) Fifteen thousand one pounds through twenty thousand pounds overweight is one thousand six hundred forty dollars plus twenty cents per pound for each additional pound over fifteen thousand pounds overweight:
- (e) Twenty thousand one pounds and more is two thousand six hundred 32 forty dollars plus thirty cents per pound for each additional pound 33 34 over twenty thousand bounds overweight.
- 35 Upon a first violation in any calendar year, the court may suspend the penalty for five hundred pounds of excess weight for each axle on 36 any vehicle or combination of vehicles, not to exceed a two thousand 38 pound suspension. In no case may the basic penalty assessed in

subsection (1) of .s section <u>or the additional penalty assessed in subsection (2) of this section</u>, except as provided for the first <u>violation</u>, be suspended.

- (3) Whenever any vehicle or combination of vehicles is involved in two violations of RCW 46.44.041, 46.44.042, 46.44.047, 46.44.090, 46.44.091, or 46.44.095 during any twelve-month period, the court may suspend the certificate of license registration of the vehicle or combination of variation in any twelve-month period, the court shall suspend the certificate of license registration for not less than thirty days. Whenever the certificate of license registration is suspended, the court shall secure such certificate and immediately rorward the same to the director with information concerning the suspension.
- (4) Any person found to have violated any posted limitations of a highway or section of highway shall be assessed a monetary penalty of not less than one hundred and fifty dollars, and the court shall in addition thereto upon second violation within a twelve-month period involving the same power unit, suspend the certificate of license registration for not less than thirty days.
- (5) It is unlawful for the driver of a vehicle to fail or refuse to stop and abmit the vehicle and load to a weighing, or to fail or refuse, when directed by an officer upon a weighing of the vehicle to stop the vehicle and otherwise comply with the provisions of this section. It is unlawful for a driver of a commercial motor vehicle as defined in RCW 46.32.005, other than the driver of a bus as defined in RCW 46.32.005(2), to fail or refuse to stop at a weighing station when proper traffic control signs indicate scales are open.

Any police officer is authorized to require the driver of any vehicle or combination of vehicles to stop and submit to a weighing either by means of a portable or stationary scale and may require that the vehicle be driven to the nearest public scale. Whenever a police officer, upon weighing a vehicle and load, determines that the weight is unlawful, the officer may require the driver to stop the vehicle in a suitable location and remain standing until such portion of the load is removed as may be necessary to reduce the gross weight of the vehicle to the limit permitted by law. If the vehicle is loaded with grain or other perishable commodities, the driver shall be permitted to proceed without removing any of the load, unless the gross weight of

1 the vehicle and 1 1 exceeds by more than en percent the limit permitted by this chapter. The owner or operator of the vehicle shall care for all materials unloaded at the risk of the owner or operator.

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Any vehicle whose driver or owner represents that the vehicle is disabled or other a wable to proceed to a weighing location shall have its load or otherwise marked by any police officer. owner or driver shall be directed that upon completion of repairs, the vehicle shall submit to weighing with the load and markings and/or seal intact and undisturbed. Failure to report for weighing, appearing for weighing with the seal broken or the markings disturbed, or removal of any cargo prior to veighing is unlawful. Any person so convicted shall be fined ((five hyndred)) one thousand dollars, and in addition the certificate of license registration shall be suspended for not less than thirty days.

- (6) Any other provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, district courts having venue have concurrent jurisdiction with the superior courts for the imposition of any penalties authorized under this section.
- (7) For the purpose of determining additional penalties as provided by subsection (2) of this section, "((excess-weight)) overweight" means the poundage in excess of the maximum allowable gross weight or axle/axle grouping weight prescribed by RCW 46.44.041 ((and)), 46.44.042 (\plus the weights allowed by RCW)), 46.44.047, 46.44.091, and 46.44.095.
- (8) The penalties provided in subsections (1) and (2) of this 26 section shall be remitted as provided in chapter 3.62 RCW or RCW 10.82.070. For the purpose of computing the basic penalties and addition(.1 penalties to be imposed under ((the provisions of)) subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the convictions shall be on the same vehicle or combination of vehicles within a twelve-month period under the same ownership.
- (9) Any state patrol officer or any weight control officer who finds any person operating a vehicle or a combination of vehicles in 34 violation of the conditions of a permit issued under RCW 46.44.047, 35 46.44.090, and 46.44.095 may confiscate the permit and forward it to 36 the state department of transportation which may return it to the 37 permittee or revoke, cancel, or suspend it without refund. partment of transportation shall keep a record of all action taken on permits so confiscated, and if a permit is returned to the

permittee the actio aken by the department of transportation shall be endorsed therein. Any permittee whose permit is suspended or revoked may upon request receive a hearing before the department of transportation or person designated by that department. After the hearing the department of transportation may reinstate any permit or revise its previous action.

Every permit issued as provided for in this chapter shall be carried in the vehicle or combination of vehicles to which it refers and shall be open to inspection by any law enforcement officer or authorized agent of any authority granting such a permit.

Upon the third finding within a calendar year of a violation of the requirements and conditions of a permit issued under RCW 46.44.095 ((as now or hereafter amended)), the permit shall be canceled, and the canceled permit shall be immediately transmitted by the court or the arresting officer to the department of transportation. The vehicle covered by the canceled permit is not eligible for a new permit for a period of thirty days.

- (10) For the purposes of determining gross weights the actual scale weight taken by the arresting officer is prima facie evidence of the total gross weight.
- (11) It is a traffic infraction to direct the loading of a vehicle with knowledge that it violates the requirements in RCW 46.44.041, 46.44.042, 46.44.047, 46.44.090, 46.44.091, or 46.44.095 and that it is to be operated on the public highways of this state.
- 25 (12) The chief of the state patrol, with the advice of the 26 department, may adopt reasonable rules to aid in the enforcement of 27 this section.

Passed the House February 5, 1996. Passed the Senate February 28, 1996. Approved by the Governor March 15, 1996. Filed in Office of Secretary of State March 15, 1996.

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John D. Okamoto, Director Norman B. Rice, Mayor 1.10:17 - 19 NEY

September 12, 1996

Honorable Norman B. Rice Mayor, City of Seattle Seattle, Washington 98104.

Attention: Tom Tierney, Director

Office of Management and Planning

Subject: Traffic Code Amendment

Dear Mayor Rice:

REQUEST: We request adoption of the enclosed ordinance, amending the Traffic Code to include language consistent with the Revised Code of Washington regarding penalties for violations of maximum gross vehicle weight.

BACKGROUND: In February of this year, the state legislature amended the Revised Code of Washington regarding vehicle size, load regulation and related penalties (copy enclosed). The proposed ordinance would make the Traffic Code consistent with the Revised Code of Washington amendment.

FUNDING: There are no budget impacts related to this ordinance.

IMPORTANCE: This ordinance would allow consistency in state and local regulations. Please contact Don Smith at 684-5125 for further information.

Sincerely,

Oril Juanitas, Auting Director Seattle Engineering Department

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cc: Don Smith, SED Kwan Wong, OMP

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City of Seattle

Executive Department—Office of Management and Planning

Thomas M. Tierney, Director Norman B. Rice, Mayor

September 13, 1996

The Honorable Ma.

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City Attorney
City of Seattle

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Dear Mr. Sidran:

The Mayor is proposing to the City Council that the enclosed legislation be adopted.

REQUESTING

DEPARTMENT:

Engineering Department

SUBJECT:

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Seattle Engineering Department;

amending the Traffic Code (Ordinance 108200) Section 11.60.587, by adding language consistent with the Revised Code of Washington regarding penalties for violations of maximum gross vehicle weight.

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Pursuant to the City Council's S.O.P. 100-014, the Executive Department is forwarding this request for legislation to your office for review and drafting.

After reviewing this request and any necessary redrafting of the enclosed legislation, return the legislation to OMP. Any specific questions regarding the legislation can be directed to Kwan Wong at 684-8083.

Sincerely,

Norman B. Rice

Mayor

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